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ANNUAL MAY FESTIVAL

To Be Held In Presbyterian Church May 12 and 13

A FINE PROGRAM PREPARED

Charles R. Hargreaves, Noted Tenor, Will Be Heard In "The Rose Maiden"

The arrangements have been completed for the Annual May Festival which will occur Tuesday and Wednesday, May 12 and 13, consisting of one matinee and two evening concerts.

Of the soloists, Charles R. Hargreaves, tenor, heads the list. Mr. Hargreaves has appeared with the leading opera companies of Europe, the Metropolitan opera company of New York, soloist two seasons with Minneapolis symphony orchestra, besides appearing in many of the United States in festivals.

will be heard in recital "The Rose Maiden."

Mr. Hargreaves will be accompanied by a piano, coloratura soprano, and a production of "The Rose Maiden" will be given. Misses will contribute two groups of songs. Misses will appear in recital in this country and Europe.

The Festival patrons will be interested to know that Miss Harriet McGraham will appear in the production of "The Rose Maiden," singing the contralto part. Two years ago Miss McGraham was especially successful in the contralto role, and the repetition will only be the revival of most pleasant memories.

One of the most interesting features of the Festival will be the organ recital by Miss Grace D. Roberts. This will be the first opportunity that the Alma people have had to hear Miss Roberts in an organ recital and the event is looked forward to with interest.

Reese F. Veatch, who has so ably wielded the baton on many former occasions, will have an opportunity to delight his many friends by singing the baritone solos in "The Rose Maiden" concert, and will again be at his post as conductor of "Hiawatha's Wedding Feast."

T. A. Fannell, tenor, will be the soloist in "Hiawatha's Wedding Feast," and conductor in "The Rose Maiden."

With Miss Amsbury at the piano and Miss Roberts at the organ, the scores attributed to these instruments will receive the attention due them.

No less stress should be placed on the Choral Society and Orchestra, the former having gone through a strenuous year of rehearsing will sustain the fine reputation it already enjoys and even show a marked improvement which naturally would be the result under the direction of Mr. Veatch. The latter, under the same director, will fill a place of great importance in the Festival concerts. Through the co-operation of the college and city, Alma College can justly boast of an orchestra equal to any organization of its size in this section of the country.

No little time and trouble is being spared to make the affair a success from every standpoint, and it is earnestly hoped that the people of Alma and surrounding country will co-operate with the management in making these Festival concerts worthy of the name they have, thus putting Alma and Alma College on the map, musically.

THE AUDUBON SOCIETY

Elected Directors and Meets Tomorrow Night to Elect Officers

Twenty-five or more of those interested in the preservation of the bird life of Michigan met in the commercial room at the High School Building last Friday evening and organized by the election of eight directors as follows: S. L. Bennett, H. N. McCurdy, Francis H. C. Moore, Anna Moner.

meet tomorrow, same place and organization by evening all interested present at the meeting to assist in arranging for future work.

The Alma W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. S. Vliet on Wright Avenue Saturday afternoon at 2:30 for the annual meeting.

The District and also the County president will be at this meeting, and a full attendance of members is expected.



CHARLES R. HARGREAVES.

Who will sing the tenor role in "The Rose Maiden" and also the Artist's Concert of the May Festival. Mr. Hargreaves has sung with the Metropolitan Opera Co., New York, as soloist with Marcus Kellerman, the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra and other organizations in this country, and was prominent in opera in Germany and Italy.

L. O. O. F. BANQUET

Tendered E. G. Alverson Monday Evening—Mr. Alverson To Reside In Utah

The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs gave a pleasant surprise to E. G. Alverson Monday evening at the Odd Fellow Temple. The occasion was the leaving of Mr. Alverson for Frisco, Utah, Tuesday afternoon, where he will join his son, Earl, who is engaged in silver mining. The ladies served an elegant lunch and the men presented Mr. Alverson with a gold chain and fob with the three links engraved with his initials and lodge number. B. L. Walker, past grand made the presentation. There were about seventy-five present at the farewell gathering.

Mr. Alverson has been an Odd Fellow for forty-four years and was one of the charter members of lodge No. 238, which was organized July 23, 1886. The other members were J. F. Suydam, H. H. Grover, who died at St. Louis some years ago, Wilson Brown, now located in Washington, Nathan Belhack, who died some place up north a few years ago, and B. F. Worthington, who died on the Allen farm near Ithaca ten years ago.

Mr. Alverson was born in Royalton, Ohio, eighty years ago, moved with his parents to Michigan at the age of three and has been in Michigan the remaining seventy-seven years, since 1837, and has lived in Gratiot county for fifty-four years and, in or near Alma for the past thirty-eight years. His wife died in 1908. He has four sons, Earl at Frisco, Utah, J. Alverson, of Alverson and Hanna, Hdwe., Ithaca, Ernest in the West and Everett in Kansas City. Mr. Alverson was a contractor and builder, building the Pollaskey block, the Advent church, the brick residence of the Misses Delavan on State street, which was his first contract, and the Record building, which was then located on State street south of Rhodes' Drug Store. He was at one time foreman of the Michigan Soldiers' Home carpenters at Grand Rapids, besides having built more residences in Alma than any other man. He was the fifth subscriber to the Record and the third to the Journal, when Meek Davidson was editor. He cast his first ballot in a presidential election for John C. Fremont in 1856, during which time he was working in the lumber woods for Frazer and Fletcher four miles west of Alma. He has been a loyal member of the Order of Odd Fellows and it was to show their appreciation that they gave the banquet in his honor.

The First State Bank has had a new awning put up over their windows.



GRATIOT CO. POMONA

To Be Held the Ninth of May With North Wheeler Grange At Wheeler

The members of the Gratiot county Pomona Grange will hold their next meeting at Wheeler with the North Wheeler Grange Saturday, May 9. Following is the program:

10:30—Called in Fifth Degree.
Business Session.
12:00—Social hour and picnic dinner.
1:30—Public meeting.
Music.
Address of Welcome, Assistant Steward.

Response, L. A. S.
Paper, "Man's Work Fifty Years Ago and Today," Immis Klees.
Paper, "Woman's Work 50 Years Ago and Today," Edward Titus.
Recitation, Jay Gulic.
Address, State Speaker.
Recitation, Clementine Brown.
Music, Young's Orchestra.
Paper, "In Memoriam," Maggie Lake.
Question Box—Conducted by George Snyder.

Recitation, Mr. Ford.
6:00—Supper.
7:00—Conferring Fifth Degree.
8:00—Entertainment by North Wheeler Grange.
Patrons are urged to be present as North Wheeler is leaving nothing undone to make it a day long to be remembered.

MRS. CORA CARTER, Lecturer.

The Alma Grain and Lumber Company

begs to announce the engagement of Mr. E. C. Patten as manager of the Alma Roller Mills; he enters upon his duties at once.

Mr. Patten is well known here having for several years represented Judson Bros. of Durand, Mich. as purchasing agent in this vicinity. Mr. Patten has the reputation of being a "live wire" and thoroughly acquainted with the elevator business.

The Company wishes to publicly express its appreciation of the services of Mr. G. S. Young who, on the resignation of Mr. A. J. Goulet about a year ago, took charge of the business on short notice, agreeing to stay a short time until a successor to Mr. Goulet should be secured. He leaves the property in better physical condition than when he took charge, and takes with him our confidence and esteem.

Alma, Mich., May 4, 1914.

ALMA GRAIN & LUMBER CO.

ADDRESS ON GARDENS

At the High School Auditorium Last Monday Evening—Well Attended

Mrs. Francis King gave a very interesting and extremely educational lecture along horticultural lines Monday evening at the High School Auditorium. The talk was profusely illustrated by some eighty colored slides which were placed on the curtain by Robert Notestein. After the introduction by Miss Messinger, Mrs. King began her entertainment with the following introduction:

"In gardening, an excellent writer has said, after the possession of the love of plants and flowers, the habit of observation is everything. An eye to see, a memory or a note book to retain, a mind and an imagination to spin fresh dreams in flowers and foliage, and you have all the vital requisites of good flower gardening. No visits to gardens, public or private need be paid by those sincerely devoted to this faculty of observation, and no garden, I maintain, large or small, rich or humble, but is worth a visit. It is true that the main good we get from the seeing of poor gardens must be expressed by a negative, we learn thus how not to do it; on the other hand it is my fixed belief that from every garden we may see as from every human being we meet, we may get that which is of value for ourselves. If

FOR COUNTY CLERK

To the Voters of Gratiot County:

I wish at this time to announce that I will be a candidate for County Clerk on the Republican ticket at the Primaries to be held August 25th.

I have served two years each as clerk and treasurer of Emerson township also seven years as supervisor and in 1912 was chairman of the board. I have always been an active and consistent republican and ask the support of the party throughout the county.

Respectfully yours,
B. L. CASE.

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS

At last Tuesday's Council meeting Mayor Cook made the following appointments for the ensuing year:

City Marshal....Jas. Redman
Street Com....O. F. Parker
Fire Chief....Jos. Sartor, Jr.
City Attorney....D. L. Johnson
City Teamster....W. Peck
Health Officer....Dr. Irwin
Dog Warden....Geo. Hutchinson

this were not so, I could not venture to show tonight the slides from my own amateurish photographs taken at various seasons during the past ten years.

In late April of last year a sight of many beautiful gardens in the suburbs of Philadelphia was vouchsafed me by a kind horticultural Providence, and it seemed the appropriate ending of these days of delight that the car, the Pullman car, which bore me away from Philadelphia should be named "Lobelia." A car in which one might indulge in many flowery memories, a car in which color schemes in flowers constantly flitted through one's inner vision. To ride in the green carpeted recesses of "Lobelia" on a fine May morning—what bit of travel could be more instantly stimulating to the gardening imagination?

It was in "Lobelia" that the expedient occurred to me of sharing some of my experiences in gardening with other like-minded amateurs by means of the following pictures. To understand the relative position of this garden which is at Alma, Michigan, a pleasant city of about three thousand people, a few glimpses of the house and its orchard must be given. The long or living side of the house faces south, viewing directly upon an old apple orchard on gently rising ground. The garden lies immediately west of the house. It is a formal garden of eighty by fifty feet, made of thirty-two beds with gravel crosswalks and a small central pool or dipping well. A grape covered trellis runs along the north side of the garden and three steps above this garden is another of almost equal size for indiscriminate flower-planting, the trial garden. To the south lie lawn and orchard, these bounded on three sides by shrubbery-belts; it is in these borders that all spring bulbs are placed."

The speaker then proceeded to show some eighty slides and explained all giving the common and scientific names and telling the habits of the flowers and success she had had with them. The many charming color arrangements and the beautiful gates, walks, beds, etc., were screened and touched the heart of the nature lover, the horticulturist and artist. Mrs. King delighted her audience and friends by her fluent and well inflected words, and extended a special invitation to every one to come to her garden and see the many flowers and shrubs.

ALMA VERSUS LANSING

Track Meet At Davis Field Last Saturday—Lansing 76, Alma 40

Saturday, May 2nd, Alma High made a fine showing against the fleet Lansing squad in a dual track meet. Hanley, Smith and Gargett starred for Alma. Harvey, Healy and Miller for the visitors. The only events in which Alma was really outclassed was the 440, mile and relay. The relay team which represented Lansing was the same team which won the two silver cups at the interscholastic last June. Hanley showed them how to sprint and Smith was exceptionally good in the pole vault and high jump Gargett Miller threw the hammer in fine shape; he will undoubtedly win the state meet this year. Alma proved that she had the stuff to win the County meet.

100-Yard Dash—Hanley A, Healy L, Harvey L.—10 3-5 sec.
Shot Put—Gargett A, Miller L, Healy L.—40 feet 3 inches.
880-Yard Run—Baske L, Hoffman L, Wonders A.—2 min. 13 3-5 sec.
220-Yard Hurdle—Hanley A, Harvey L.; no third—28 4-5 sec.
Discus—Gargett A, Ehringer L, Miller L.—90 feet 2 inches.
Running Broad Jump—Harvey L, Smith A, Healy L.—19 feet 2 1-2 inches.
220-Yard Dash—Healy L, Hanley A, Smith A.—23 2-5 sec.
Hammer—Miller L, Gargett A, Ehringer L.—139 feet 10 1-2 inches.
High Jump—Smith A, Prine and Ehringer L., tied second—5 feet 3 inches.
440-Yard Dash—Harvey L, Ehringer L, Hoffman L.—57 sec.
Pole Vault—Gardner and Harvey L,

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Meeting Held Tuesday Evening—Mayor Cook Makes Appointments

Alma, Mich., May 5, 1914.
Regular meeting of the common council and Special Board of Review of the city of Alma in council rooms on the above date. The council was called to order by the mayor, Hon. Albert P. Cook.

Present: Aids, Rowland, Peery, Willard, Race, Ward, Kehn and Special Assessor P. M. Smith.

There being a quorum present the council was declared to be in session. The Journal of the preceding session was read and approved.

Ald. Ogden appears.
On motion of Ald. Peery, supported by Ald. Rowland, that all sidewalk petitions be referred to the committee on sidewalks. Motion carried.

On motion of Ald. Peery, supported by Ald. Ogden, that the communication from Newway Portland Cement Co. be referred to city attorney. Motion carried.

Ald. Peery presents the following resolution and moves its adoption, supported by Ald. Ward:

Whereas an ordinance of the city of Alma, Mich., known and designated as ordinance No. 46 relative to the construction of sidewalks within said city of Alma, provides that the Council by resolution and a two-thirds vote of all the aldermen-elect, decide what portion per foot of all walks constructed shall be paid by the city,

Therefore be it Resolved by the Common Council of the City of Alma now in session, that the City of Alma shall pay the total cost of all walks constructed in said city during the fiscal year under said ordinance No. 46, except six cents per square foot to be paid by the owner of the property abutting upon and adjacent to the sidewalk, as is provided by said ordinance. Which vote was as follows:

Yeas: Aids, Rowland, Peery, Willard, Race, Ogden, Ward and Kehn.

Ald. Fraker appears.
On motion of Ald. Peery, supported by Ald. Kehn, that the report of the chief of the Fire Department be received and placed on file. Motion carried.

The water board would recommend the following extensions for water mains, to-wit: From Philadelphia Ave. west on W. Superior St. about 54 rds. commencing at No. 34 Park Place east, thence north on Woodworth Ave. to East End St., thence west to State St.; West End St. from 2nd Ave. west about 36 rds. from alley one, Downie St. to River Ave., thence north to Walnut St. and one block north of Michigan Ave. on Euclid Ave.

On motion of Ald. Kehn, supported by Ald. Race, that the report of the Water Board be received and adopted, and that the clerk be instructed to order what necessary material is needed for the same. Motion carried.

On motion of Ald. Ward, supported by Ald. Kehn, that the request of the ladies for the city team to draw dirt for the corner of E. Superior and Michigan Ave. be granted. Motion carried.

On motion of Ald. Ogden, supported by Ald. Willard, that the clerk be instructed to purchase signs to be posted on the main streets relative to fast driving of automobiles. Motion carried.

On motion of Ald. Ogden, supported by Ald. Fraker, that the report of the Board of Special Assessors be received and adopted, which vote was as follows:

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At a hearing before Justice Mann Friday morning, James Wheeler was found guilty of selling intoxicating liquor without a license. He waived examination, was bound over to circuit court and was released on \$500.00 bond.

HOMEWARD BOUND.

A card received from H. C. Richardson who, with his family, have been spending the winter months in Pasadena, California, reads:

"Kindly send future copies of the Record to 1404 S. Jefferson Ave., Saginaw. We leave here May 7. All have had a fine winter here."

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

At the Church of Christ next Lord's day communion at 10 a. m., followed by sermon by J. T. Bridwell. Subject, "Fishers of Men." Bible school at the close of the preaching service. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30, followed by sermon. Subject for evening, "The Law of Adoption." Every one invited.

First, Smith A, third—9 feet 8 inches.

Half-Mile Relay—Lansing first, (Harvey, Ehringer, Prine and Healy). Time 1 min. 38 3-5 sec.

Total Points—Lansing, 76; Alma, 40.



THOMAS A. FANNELL.

Well known to Alma music lovers, will sing the beautiful tenor solo "Onward, Awake" in "Hiawatha's Wedding Feast" at the May Festival and will conduct "The Rose Maiden."

ALMA DEBATERS LOST

In Dual Debate Last Friday Evening

Alma High School lost both the negative at St. Johns and the affirmative at home in the dual debate with St. Johns last Friday evening. Mr. Ellsworth presided here and Paul Cash opened the debate with a talk on the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty, and showed where the treaty had been abrogated and finished. Mr. Mack outlined the defense. Carl Street discussed the economic side of the question and showed where it would mean dollars and cents to the United States to let vessels doing a coastwise trade pass through the Panama Canal toll free. Mr. Jewett of St. Johns continued the defense. Then D. Rockwell proved by analysis of the treaty itself that it was not made for the observance of the United States. Mr. Garlock advanced his theories in defense. The judges were Prof. G. Y. Warner of Alma College, Mr. Bedow, head of Oratory at the Central State Normal, and Mr. Alexander Duncan, of Ithaca High School. Decision, 2 and 1 in favor of negative. Clark, Marvin and J. Rockwell lost the negative at St. Johns to Miss Lyons and Messrs. Clark and Peennutt. Mr. L. L. Forsythe, principal of Ionia High and former principal of St. Louis High School was one of the judges there. Decisions were three and nothing against Alma.

I. S. Tipton was employed at S. B. Frisbie's at Forest Hill last week.

Mrs. E. S. Hubble and daughter, Bertha, were Saginaw visitors Saturday.

Miss Bee Smith spent one day last week visiting friends in Belding.

Roy Vandermarck spent last week at Forest Hill.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, HOWELL, MICH.



Pastor, Rev. L. S. Brooke, Alma College Alumnus

Our citizens will be interested to know that Rev. L. S. Brooke, a former Gratiot county resident and a graduate of Alma College with the class of 1896, is superintending the construction of a new \$50,000 Presbyterian church in the city of Howell. The first shovel of dirt was excavated last week. Mr. Brooke, like Alma College alumni generally, has made good. For thirteen years he has been pastor of the Howell congregation and now finding a new and more modern structure essential to a continuance of the good work, the members of his church and congregation have authorized the construction of the building, a picture of which is shown above.

The building is to occupy the location opposite the Public Library. It is designed in a modified type of English Gothic thoroughly adapted to the present day requirements of a church which believes in ministering to every desirable phase of human life and activity.

The principal entrance is through the tower with stone steps protected by an open porch.

Other entrances on the southerly side, facing Chestnut Street and at the northerly corner lead to both basement and main floor, while a separate entrance to basement only is provided below and at the side of main entrance porch.

The basement is high and well lighted and contains a large entertainment and dining room used also as a gymnasium, church parlor, kitchen, three toilet rooms, with separate shower bath and lockers for girls and boys, boiler room and coal room.

The Record joins with Mr. Brooke and many Gratiot county friends in extending congratulations.

THE CAMP FIRE GIRLS

Were Entertained At Ithaca Banquet At Church

FIFTY ALMA GIRLS PRESENT

Had Photos Taken—Related Personal Experiences and Had Good Time Generally

The Alma Campfire Girls were guests of the Ithaca Girls Saturday afternoon and evening at a charming dinner and entertainment. About fifty Alma girls went to Ithaca Saturday afternoon, in costume, and were met by a half that many at their destination where they were invited to an elegant dinner in the basement of the church, which a ceremony meeting was in and each girl was presented with the beads which they earned for efficiency in one or more of the seven crafts, along which their training lies: cane craft, business-craft, home-craft, heat, nature-love, hand-craft and ten.

Each girl told how she won her beads. The girls were entertained most royally by their delightful hostesses. There are two fires in Ithaca one under the guardianship of Miss Joyce Wright and the other under Miss Lena Gallagher. Mrs. Ed Hamilton, indirectly at the head of the Ithaca organization. There are six fires in city, whose efficient and capable guardians are Misses Lois Fraker, Orla Smith, Sena Potter, Delia Corey, An Montiel, and Laura Crandell. The movement was advocated here first by the Redpath Chautauques, but organized fires were brought about in September when Miss Fraker started the successful grouping of the girls. Her example was followed until there is now six groups. The girls all make their own regalia and weave their own beads and even some make their own heads. Beads are awarded for various things. For instance, Miss Georgia Gossett, a member of Miss Fraker's fire, was presented a bead for walking forty miles in ten days. Any of the girls who do this would be given a bead, but she is the only one who has earned one in this manner. These ceremonial beads are strung on leather thongs and are signs of great achievements. Each girl has an Indian name and she wears her totem in her head bands. The Record would advocate a parade of the girls some afternoon in full dress costume.

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